# DODGE COUNTY LAND RESOURCES AND PARKS COMMITTEE MINUTES June 1, 2020

The Dodge County Land Resources and Parks Committee met on June 1, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. on the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor of the Administration Building, Juneau, Wisconsin.

Chairman Schaefer called the meeting to order. Roll Call was taken. Members present were Allen Behl, Mary Bobholz, Tom Schaefer, Travis Schultz. Larry Schraufnagel was present telephonically. The staff present at the request of the Chairman were Bill Ehlenbeck and Joseph Giebel.

Other County Board members in attendance: None

The Chairman asked the staff to confirm compliance with the open meeting laws and the public hearing notice requirements. Mr. Giebel noted that the meeting was properly noticed in accord with the open meeting law and noted that the required notices for the public hearings listed on the agenda were posted, mailed and published in accord with the statute and code requirements.

The hearing procedures were read into the record.

# **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

1. Parks Division

Consider and Take Action on Firewood Ban Policy changes.

Bill Ehlenbeck reviewed the proposed changes to the Firewood Ban Policy with the Committee. In order to prevent the spread of the Emerald Ash Borer into the County Parks, a firewood ban was approved by the Committee in 2007 which prohibits campers from bringing in firewood to the campgrounds. To date, there are no positive detections of the Ash Borer in any of the parks, however, there have been detections in the vicinity of the parks. With COVID-19 social distancing concerns, the county is looking for ways to reduce face to face interactions such as takes place with firewood sales at the parks. The parks currently have instituted self-serve firewood sales at the parks, however with the expected increase in camping, it will be difficult to keep up with the firewood demands. The staff is recommending consideration of the removal of the firewood ban at the parks to allow campers to bring in their own firewood.

Motion by Travis Schultz to remove the firewood ban at the parks and allow campers to bring in their own firewood.

Second by Allen Behl

Vote 5-0

Motion carried.

# **PUBLIC HEARING**

Brenda Link (Krueger) – Request for a Conditional Use Permit under the Land Use Code, Dodge County, Wisconsin to allow for the creation of a 3.7-acre nonfarm single family residential lot within the A-1 Prime Agricultural Zoning District. The property is located in part of the NE ¼ of the NE ¼, Section 11, Town of Elba, the site address being W10479 Ghost Hill Road.

Motion by Mary Bobholz to approve the conditional use permit request to allow for the creation of a 3.7-acre nonfarm single family residential lot within the A-1 Prime Agricultural Zoning District subject to the following Conditions:

- 1. The applicant shall obtain the required land division approvals for the proposed lot from the County and local municipalities if required, prior to the creation of these lots;
- 2. The proposed non-farm residential lot shall not exceed 3.7-acres in area unless the lot is successfully rezoned out of the A-1 Prime Agricultural Zoning District;
- 3. Only one single family residential unit may be located on the proposed non-farm residential lot unless this lot is successfully rezoned into a zoning district which allows additional residential units;
- 4. The acreage of the proposed non-farm residential lot shall count towards the total non-farm residential acreage that can be created from the base farm tract for this property;
- 5. A "Notice of Zoning Limitations" document shall be recorded with the Dodge County Register of Deeds Office for the following parcels which make up the "base farm tract" which notifies the potential buyers of these parcels that there may be limitations as to the number of new lots that can be created from this base farm tract:
  - 014-1013-1111-000 and 014-1013-1114-000.
- 6. The owner and subsequent owners of this non-farm residential lot hereby agree to comply with Subsection 9.2, Right to Farm provisions of the Dodge County Land Use Code and that they will not cause unnecessary interference with adjoining farming operations producing agricultural products and using generally accepted agricultural practices, including access to active farming operations;
- 7. The decision of the Committee shall expire one year after the decision is filed with the Department unless construction has been diligently pursued, a Certificate of Zoning Compliance has been issued, the use is established, or the Conditional Use Permit is renewed, for a period not to exceed one year.
- 8. The Conditional Use Permit shall also expire upon termination of a project or if the rights granted by the permit are discontinued for 180 consecutive days.

Second by Travis Schultz Vote 5-0 Motion carried.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

**Dodge County Land Resources and Parks Committee** – Request to amend the *Dodge County Comprehensive Plan*. Amendments area being proposed to the Future Land Use Map, Dodge County, Wisconsin, which is Map 8-2 of the *Dodge County Comprehensive Plan* and to the *Dodge County Farmland Preservation Plan Map*, which is in Appendix B of the *Dodge County Comprehensive Plan*.

#### **Proposed Amendments to the Future Land Use Map**

Town of Leroy - Section 33 (Parcel # 028-1316-3344-000, 028-1316-3344-004)

- From: Single Family Residential Designation
- To: Agriculture Designation

**Town of Leroy** – Section 34 (Parcel # 028-1316-3433-000, 028-1316-3434-000, 028-1316-3434-001 and 028-1316-3434-002)

- From: Single Family Residential Designation
- To: Agriculture Designation

# **Proposed Amendments to the Farmland Preservation Plan Map**

Town of Leroy – Section 33 (Parcel # 028-1316-3344-000, 028-1316-3344-004)

• From: Area of Nonagricultural Development

• To: Area of Agricultural Use and Agricultural Related Use

**Town of Leroy** – Section 34 (Parcel # 028-1316-3433-000, 028-1316-3434-000, 028-1316-3434-001 and 028-1316-3434-002)

• From: Area of Nonagricultural Development

To: Area of Agricultural Use and Agricultural Related Use

Motion by Mary Bobholz to submit a favorable recommendation to the County Board for the proposed amendments to the future land use map as proposed.

Second by Larry Schraufnagel

Vote 5-0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mary Bobholz to submit a favorable recommendation to the County Board for the proposed amendments to the Farmland Preservation Plan map as proposed.

Second by Larry Schraufnagel

Vote 5-0

Motion carried.

# PUBLIC HEARING

Allen Thurow – Request to rezone approximately 13-acres of land from the A-1 Prime Agricultural Zoning District to the A-2 General Agricultural zoning district to allow for the creation of a non-farm residential lot. The site is located in part of the NE ¼ of the NE ¼, Section 12, Town of Lebanon, the site address being W2907 County Road MM.

Motion by Mary Bobholz to submit a favorable recommendation to the County Board of Supervisors on the request to rezone approximately 13-acres of land from the A-1 Prime Agricultural Zoning District to the A-2 General Agricultural zoning district.

Second by Allen Behl

Vote 5-0

Motion carried.

# **OTHER BUSINESS**

1. The minutes from the May 18, 2020 meeting were reviewed by the Committee.

Motion by Mary Bobholz to approve the minutes as written.

Second by Travis Schultz

Vote: 5-0

Motion carried.

- 2. No Committee Member Reports
- 3. No additional Per Diems

Motion by order of the Chairman to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Allen Behl, Secretary

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